

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF FEBRUARY 14, 1928

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Board of Public Works, Union Trust Building, Baltimore, Md.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor.  
William S. Gordy, Comptroller.  
John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

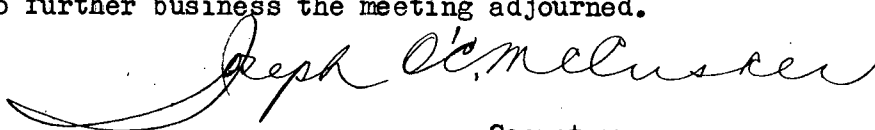
The meeting was held for the purpose of giving Messrs. J. A. W. Iglehart & Company an opportunity to discuss with the Board its action at its meeting of February 8 when the proposal of J. A. W. Iglehart and Company for the purchase of the February 15th, 1928 issue, \$1,815,000.00, of bonds of the General Construction Loan of 1927 was rejected because of a condition in the proposal which was unsatisfactory to the Board.

The Attorney General of Maryland was in attendance. Messrs. Stuart S. Janney and Robert L. Williams of the Firm of Janney, Ober, Slingluff and Williams, attorneys, for J. A. W. Iglehart and Company, were present on behalf of their clients. Representatives of the National City Company, Union Trust Company and Owen Daly and Company were present at the meeting.

Colonel Janney spoke at length in connection with the action of the Board in rejecting the bid of J. A. W. Iglehart and Company, contending that Chapter 345 of the Acts of 1927 required the Board of Public Works to accept the proposal of the highest responsible bidder and that the condition in the bid of J. A. W. Iglehart and Company was not such as to justify the Board in rejecting the bid. Mr. Robert Belnap, representing the National City Company, read a statement which was prepared by <sup>not</sup> counsel for this company contending that the bid of J. A. W. Iglehart and Company was a proper bid and supporting the action of the Board of Public Works in rejecting it.

After consideration the Board of Public Works declined to rescind or modify its action taken at the meeting of February 8 rejecting the bid of J. A. Iglehart and Company and awarding the bonds to the next highest bidder.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



Secretary,  
Board of Public Works.

Note: J. A. W. Iglehart and Company, through its attorneys Janney, Ober, Slingluff and Williams, petitioned the Superior Court of Baltimore City for a writ of mandamus under which it was asked that the Board of Public Works be directed to rescind its action in awarding the bonds to Owen Daly and Company and Associates and sell the bonds to J. A. W. Iglehart and Company. The petition was heard by Judge Eli Frank on Friday afternoon, February 16th. After taking testimony and hearing arguments from the counsel for the State and for the petitioners Judge Frank refused to grant the petition. The bonds were delivered to Owen Daly and associates a very short time after the decision was rendered.